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## MRS. MARTIN SHOULD PROVE HER CHARGES.

Mrs. W. W. Martin, in a statement discussing the plan to open the picture show on Sunday, brands everybody who differs with her as immoral, degenerate and generally undesirable. Is Mrs. Martin laboring under the delusion that she is Cape Girardeau?

By what authority has she to say that the business men of this city are devoid of morals simply because they exercised their right to think as they pleased on a subject which interests them as much as it does their neighbors?

The constitution of this country, drafted by the fathers, who gave to the people of this generation the sweetest heritage that they enjoy, calls for free thought and action. And without that right, freedom, the very foundation of this government, would be a mockery and law and order could not prevail.

We do not believe that this ribald statement reflects the sentiment of a majority of the people who want the picture shows to remain closed. And to those who do think as Mrs. Martin does, if there are any, we desire to inform them that such slanderous charges as Mrs. Martin made are nothing short of libel.

If that statement contained names, action under the statutes for malicious slander could be taken. And if a newspaper were used to make the same charges, even though anonymous people were used, business men who signed the petitions to open the theaters could seek redress through the courts.

But the charges will do more good to the movement to open the picture shows than it will do harm, even though they are untrue. The people of Cape Girardeau know that the business men are not only the backbone of this city, but they are responsible for its prosperity.

It must be remembered that the people who employ others are the best assets a town can have, because employers keep the whole world moving. And to brand them as being immoral simply because they would attend a picture show, is the cheapest sort of demagoguery.

But the injury done to the business men of this city is nothing compared to the wrong that Mrs. Martin's indictment does the splendid women whose opinions on this question differ from Mrs. Martin's views.

If these ladies were to make the same charges against Mrs. Martin that she has against them, The Tribune would not print them. It is bad enough to reflect upon the good name of a good woman, but to give circulation to statements that would cast a shadow upon the character of good women is a crime which condemns its own iniquity.

Mrs. Martin should remember that character and a good name cannot be wrecked by slanderous charges alone. Her statement was not an argument against anything, and proved less. She ought to offer some evidence to prove that the business men and the ladies opposed to her views are as wicked as she portrays them.

What are her facts that indicate the majority of the people in this city are "loose morally" and cater to the mob?

## THE AUGUST PRIMARY

On August 4, the primaries will be held to select candidates to be voted upon at the November election.

The primary system was evolved by a reason of abuse of political control and disregard of the wishes of the common people. The old scheme resulted in a few men of selfish political ambitions obtaining control of nominations and dictating measures and policies after election.

The primary system is still on trial. It is an experiment. Unless the people take intelligent interest in the primary elections, it will prove a failure.

The privilege given to the voters to select their candidates evolves upon them a corresponding responsibility. It is the duty of every man who has public interest at heart to take part in the primary elections, to make himself familiar with the merits of the various candidates and to cast his vote conscientiously.

The primary privilege has been only obtained for the people after many years of strenuous work by disinterested and patriotic men, fighting against entrenched political and private interests. It would be a calamity should it fail.

There is where the particular duty comes right back to the individual voters. To preserve in its purity government by the people, he must exercise his franchise.

## THE OPPOSITION TO JUDGE PAAR.

Probably no man seeking office in this county comes before the people with a better record than Judge William Paar. He has held positions of public trust for a long time, but never has the finger of suspicion been pointed at him.

He has lived up to the promises he made when seeking election, and the people know he will do so again. Judge Paar stands for the better things in politics. He is always fair to his opponents and he never harbors malice against a foe.

Just now there is an element in the Republican party that would like to injure Judge Paar by circulating fictitious literature, but this element is so small and so generally disliked that its support is more injurious than beneficial. Therefore, the friends of Judge Paar should congratulate him because of the enemies he has made.

But just out of curiosity it would be worth while to identify the man who writes his letters in Cape Girardeau and postmarks them Jackson. This one man may consider himself a crowd, but he will resemble a punctured pewter dime when Judge Paar gets through running on August 4.

## A LETTER FROM EDW. D. HAYS, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

To the Voters.

The primary campaign is rapidly drawing to a close. I have made no personal canvas among the voters. Never in my life have I made a campaign for nomination, but I have always been an aggressive worker at the final election. I have felt that, as an officeholder, I ought not to go out to the patrons of the office and use personal persuasion and private influence in trying to win their favor. The voters of this county are intelligent, and do not need to be told how to vote.

I have been Probate Judge for eight years, and if there is any reason why I am unfit for the position, it is strange that some opponent has not called attention to it. The only argument used against me is that I have held office "long enough."

I should ask no finer tribute to my record than for my opponents to admit, as they do, that the duties of my office have, at all times, had careful and intelligent personal attention.

There are only two questions to be determined. First: Considering practical experience, which candidate is best prepared to serve the public interest? Second: Which candidate when nominated, may be expected to make the best race for the party in the fall campaign?

I submit my candidacy upon my record, and, regardless of how the republican voters may decide these questions, I shall abide the result without complaint.

Very truly,  
EDW. D. HAYS.

July 29th, 1914.

## TO DEMOCRATIC VOTERS.

As you know I am seeking the Democratic nomination for Prosecuting Attorney. I believe that the wide acquaintance which I gained by being the Democratic nominee two years ago will make me a stronger candidate. In view of the third term agitation in this County at this time, it seems that Mr. Alexander, who is a good Democrat, and my friend, should not ask the Democrats to nominate him for a third term.

As to who will make the strongest candidate, the actual vote cast for me the last time we came before the people in the General Election is the best index. The records will show that Mr. Alexander failed to carry the Democratic vote in eight out of the ten townships in the County, whereas I carried more than the Democratic vote in eight out of the ten Townships.

If nominated, I expect to make a thorough canvas of the County in the General Election. I assure you that your vote for me will be greatly appreciated.

Very respectfully,  
L. L. BOWMAN.

## FRANCE PREPARES FOR WAR

Paris, July 29.—France continues quietly to prepare for war. The troops of the active army are gradually concentrating near the frontier.

A military guard has been placed in the great flour mills at Corbell, near Paris, which in the event of war would be taken over by the army. The bakers in Paris are laying large stocks of flour, and the city authorities, to prevent all possibility of famine in the capital, started forming today a reserve store of 15,000 tons of flour.

The Police Department is exercising a general surveillance over Austrians and Germans in Paris, where many thousands of them reside.

The Government made an appeal to the press to keep calm and carefully to verify its news concerning the crisis before publishing it.

Adolphe Messimy, Minister of War today visited the military wireless station on the Eiffel Tower and ordered the staff to be doubled, the officers to remain on duty night and day.

Long lines of depositors waited outside the savings banks today to withdraw their money, as all payments will be suspended in case of war.

At the French Foreign office, a pessimistic view of the general situation prevailed this evening. Officials there think the only hope of averting war is that Austria-Hungary recognize the determination and unity of views of Russia, Great Britain and France and that she modify her attitude toward Serbia.

Military precautions taken include the recall of all the artillery regiments now at the Nancy maneuvers. Many regiments which had left for Châlons have returned to their garrisons, and officers and soldiers on leave in Tunis have been recalled. Troops have been withdrawn from Morocco, leaving only the minimum necessary in that country.

Great activity prevails at Toulon and all naval officers away have been recalled. The cruisers and reserve squadrons at Brest are being fully equipped on a war footing and the torpedo flotilla maneuvering at sea has been ordered back.

Blenvue Martin, Acting Premier and Foreign Minister during Premier Viviani's absence, was closeted for over an hour with Baron Schoen, the German Ambassador. It was noticed that the latter looked very pale and was apparently trying to conceal his emotion when he left the ministry. The Cabinet met at 4 o'clock and had a long session. The Temps last night issued what it calls a last note of warning, saying:

"In all sincerity and with full knowledge of what we are talking about, we affirm that inductions founded on the past can only lead Austria and her allies into disastrous errors. Russia will not allow the independence of Serbia to be crushed and France and Great Britain will not desert Russia."

"Serbia has granted all that has been asked—more than any other country ever yielded under pressure. It is, therefore, false to pretend that Austria was humiliated when she was asked to negotiate. Nothing prevents a settlement but a desire for war at any price."

Miss Gertrude McGhee of Chicago arrived in the city last night and will spend a few days visiting her aunt, Mrs. I. D. Ramsey.

Mrs. Anna Fischer of Cheltenham in the city yesterday on a shopping trip.

An automobile party composed of B. D. Gaiter, C. M. Wyle and Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Forney came up from Commerce last night, and returned to their home early this morning.

## RUSSIA AND AUSTRIA SEVER ALL RELATIONS

Continued from first page.

London, July 29.—It was announced here late tonight that Austria and Russia had severed diplomatic relations.

Paris, July 29.—A dispatch tonight from Vienna confirms the report that Belgrade is under bombardment by the Austrians. The firing began when a party of Servians attempted to dynamite a bridge over the Sava river, which was partly blown up Sunday by the Austrian troops. The Austrians opened fire and the bombardment was returned by the Servians, who later retreated.

London, July 29.—A cipher telegram from St. Petersburg received tonight by the International New Service states that Russia is determined to support Serbia by force or arms, and has served Austria with an ultimatum. A stringent censorship prevails in St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, July 29.—President of the Council of Georemykine made the following remark tonight. "Russia is determined not to allow Serbia to be crushed, but will fulfill its duty to this small kingdom which has suffered so much from Austria's hands. Russia will not be frightened at any threats that Austria may make, as she knows her obligations to her Slavic brethren in the Balkans, and will not consent to Serbia becoming Austrian Vassal. "The European equilibrium demands that the Slav kingdom retain its independence which Russia will uphold to this end. To this effect Russia will take all the measures that the gravity of the situation requires."

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## TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS.

I am asking the Republicans of this County for the nomination for the office of Judge of Probate at the Primary election to be held on the 4th day of August.

As to my qualifications for the place, I can say, without boasting, that my practice before that Court has made me sufficiently familiar with Probate law to perform the duties of the office.

I would be pleased to get your vote, and solicit your influence in getting this nomination.

I think it proper to add that I am a believer in rotation in office. I have always favored limiting the tenure to two terms in office when the terms were for four years and the office a good paying one. If, however, the voters will favor giving my worthy opponent, who has had the office eight years, a third term, I will have no complaint to make.

I find that it is impossible for me to see all the voters and for this reason I take this method of soliciting your vote and influence.

Very Truly Yours,  
R. M. SAWYER.

Raymond Phelps, the young man who was arrested Tuesday night on the charge of having stolen a watch from a fellow employee of the restaurant, pleaded guilty in Judge Wilber's court yesterday, and was sentenced to 20 days in the county jail.

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## Empty Pocketbook Fools Score; Col. Morrison Stung Yet Amused

Dives at Paper-Filled Purse, Discovers Joke and Laughs Self Nearly to Death at Car Men and Pedestrians.

A score of people yesterday were victimized by a practical joker, who placed a large purse filled with paper on the car tracks near Spanish and Merriweather streets.

Col. Mat Morrison, pedestrian and gentleman of leisure, was strolling South on Spanish, and as he started to cross the street his weather eye detected the pocketbook, which bulged with its contents.

The Colonel went to that purse with all of the action that a bass displays in grabbing a phony fly. When he reached it he had to reverse in order to keep from rushing right over what he thought was a Rockefeller bankroll.

Mr. Morrison snatched it up, pried it open and then looked around to see if anyone was looking. Besides a bundle of paper it contained a wad of cotton. The Colonel dropped it and moved down the street, looking back over his shoulder.

destal and almost bowed his legs in his mad dash for the purse. He opened it while the passengers tittered, then turned around and walked right back to his seat on the front of the car.

Col. Morrison, who had witnessed the incident, had to prop himself up against a tree in order to give his giggling muscles room to work freely. After the car passed, the Colonel perched himself on the curb to await the next victim.

Another car came rattling down the street, and Mr. Morrison got ready to enjoy the second act. Motorman Chris Cruse discovered the pocketbook and stopped his coach. He got a strangle hold on the purse in record time and yanked it open in plain view of the passengers. Col. Morrison's face again fell ajar and he roared with genuine laughter.

Mr. Cruse climbed on his car, turned on the power and sped madly up Spanish street. Col. Morrison remained at his post and watched one victim after another pick up the purse and peep in. When he realized he was about to laugh himself to death, he turned back and stepped on the brakes. Then he walked down the street with his diaphragm pulsating.